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In re the Application of:

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For: REINFORCING MATERIAL, REINFORCING/REPAIRING STRUCTURE, AND STRUCTURAL ELEMENT USING THE

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STRUCTURE, AND STRUCTURAL ELEMENT

Preliminary Amendment

Assistant Commissione for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS, as amended by PCT Article 34 Amendment:

Please amend the claims, as amended by PCT Article 34 Amendment, as follows:

Claim 12, line 2, delete "or 11"

Claim 25, line 2, delete "19 of 24"

Claim 31, line 2, dleete "16, 17, 18, 19,"; and

line 3, delete "28, 29 or 30".

Claim 32, line 2, delete "24, 28, 29 or 30".

Claim 33, line 3, delete "16, 17, 18, 19, 24, 28, 29 or 30".

Claim 34, line 4, delete "16, 17, 18, 19, 24, 28, 29 or 30".

Claim 35, line 4, delete "16, 17, 18, 19, 24, 28, 29 or 30".

#5/Q/ 8/2/00 Claim 36, line 4, delete "16, 17, 18, 19, 24, 28, 29 or 30".

Claim 38, line 2, delete 36" and insert --37--.

Claim 64, line 1, delete "62 of 63".

Claim 65, line 1, delete 62 or 63".

Claim 66, line 1, delete "62 or 63".

Claim 70, line 2, delete "or 69".

Claim 71, line 2, delete "or 69".

Respectfully subjected

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